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Appointments Made Tuesday At Meeting

Instructions for Defense Set-up Given Leaders

At the meeting of civilian defense leaders Tuesday evening, printed instructions were distributed to the heads of various subdivisions who were asked to study them and form plans for the operations of their sections. These plans conform to federal and state regulations.

In addition, three leaders were appointed to administer two branches of the defense set-up for which heads had not formerly been appointed.

Merle Cline was named as chairman of the administration and training service and Welter Lynn and M. F. Grunden were selected to head the air warning service.

The need for the defense set-up was emphasized when it was pointed out that the war picture is getting darker and darker and that time is running out to get the protection needed for the civilian population when war comes.

The cost of preparation amounts only to the effort expended in preparation to protect one's self and should war not develop, the time will not have been wasted as the training will prove valuable in any emergency.

County Goal for Chest Not Filled

Columbia county fell short of its \$11,094.86 Community Chest goal with approximately \$7450 collected to date, or about 67 per cent of the figure sought, according to J. H. Clawson, county drive chairman. However, a complete return has not been reported by Clatskanie, and this should raise the figure somewhat.

So far money collected during the chest drive included \$3900 from St. Helens, \$1400 from Vernonia, \$1600 from Clatskanie and \$550 from Scappoose. Rainier didn't take part in the program.

Failure of the county's towns to meet their quotas will cause curtailment of some of the activities that derive their funds from the Community Chest—scout organizations and children's aid funds, to name a few.

This marks the second consecutive year that Columbia county has failed to meet the chest goal.

School Holidays End January 2

Grade and high school students will not go to classes all of next week because of the Christmas vacation period. Studies will end Friday and will not resume until January 2.

Barring bad weather which could bring about a closing of schools later, it is possible that a short vacation may be possible again in the spring and still allow classes to end at the usual time for the year.

3 SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE XMAS



BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS

LATER CLOSING PLAN OF STORES

This week end, the last before the Christmas holiday when shoppers may fill their needs for gifts, brings the announcement from several stores that they will keep their doors open later than the usual closing time.

Most of the stores which offer gift merchandise will be open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings until 8 p.m. instead of the usual 6 p.m. closing time.

Stores which have definitely stated that they will keep their doors open later are Hoffman Hardware, Miller's, Westerns, Nichols Variety and Bush Furniture. Several other stores displaying gift merchandise ordinarily are open later than 6 p.m. and will continue as usual for the remainder of the week.

Candy Sacked by Yule Group Mon.

The final step in completing this year's work of the Vernonia Christmas association was taken Monday evening when the ladies of the various women's organizations cooperating in the undertaking sacked the candy which will be distributed tonight. The sacks will be given to children at the grade school Christmas program by Santa Claus who will pay a visit here then.

Groups which have helped with the financing of this year's community Christmas undertaking are: V.F.W. and Auxiliary, American Legion, I.W.A., Lions Club, Odd Fellows, Masons, Knights of Pythians, Pythian Sisters, Seventh Day Adventist church, Church of God in Christ, Baptist church, Mt. Heart Social Club, Legion Auxiliary, Commercial Bank, Oregon American, Cedarwood Timber Company, Vernonia Local Industrial Union, Pebble Creek Dairy and Christian church.

Total of the fund to date is \$249.35 and there is still two pledges to be filled.

The first 1951 meeting of the association, which has been set up on a permanent basis, is scheduled to take place next year in October so that more complete plans for the 1951 holiday season can be worked out.

Yule Vesper Service Due

The people of Vernonia will be given an opportunity to begin Christmas Eve in the traditional manner with a Christmas Candle-light Vesper service at the Evangelical U. B. church, Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

The reading of the Christmas story from the scriptures will be interspersed with musical numbers, and A. J. Hughes will play a violin solo. A chorus of high school girls will sing and instrumental duets by Mrs. Lois Clark and Mrs. Louise Thomas will be played.

Rev. Gerald Heskett and Rev. Paul Sisler will read the scriptures.

The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

Cubs Meet Tuesday

The Cub Scout pack meeting Tuesday of this week at the IWA hall was enlivened by a movie, "The Cub and His Home," and the awarding of pins. Bobcat pins were given Kenneth Hanson, Linn Bolmeier, and Byron Hanson; Wolf badges to Warren Currington and Lee Allen and Lion badges to Edward Currington and Donald Tunnel. Treats were given the boys attending.

Paintings Depict Christmas Spirit



ABOVE and left are views of paintings which appear on two of the large windows at the home of Mrs. Lulah Fullerton. Mrs. Fullerton painted the scenes, which are in keeping with the holiday season. They are well worth the time anyone might spend in going to see them.

King Services Planned Today

Final rites for Harry L. King, who passed away Tuesday morning at St. Vincent's hospital in Portland, will be held here at 2 p.m. this afternoon, Thursday. The services will be conducted at the Evangelical U.B. church and commitment will take place at the Vernonia Memorial cemetery.

Harry Leo King was born January 24, 1889 at Spokane, Washington and passed away at the age of 61 years following illness for the past five months.

He had been a resident of this community for 21 years and during that time had taken active part in affairs of the vicinity. He had served in the capacity of president of the board of directors of West Oregon Electric Co-operative for the five years of its existence and had worked to see this area receive an abundance of electric power.

Other of his activities had included a year spent as president of the Vernonia Golf and Country club and several years in which he served as president of the Nehalem Rod and Gun club. Much of his attention had been devoted to the improvement of fishing conditions on the Nehalem river and Rock creek, being an ardent fisherman himself.

Surviving are: his wife, Emily; a daughter, Mrs. Charles Cedarburg; two sons, Earl and Robert; two sisters, Rose Lemley of Spokane and Flossie Wilson of Burlingame, California; four brothers, Garbutt of Reardon, Washington, Bernard of Klamath Falls, Milo of Potlatch, Idaho and William of Pendleton.

Rev. Paul D. Sisler will officiate at the services which are in charge of the Bush Funeral home.

Grocery store owners have decided to close this afternoon during the services and probably most other stores in Vernonia and Riverview will also lock their doors at that time.

Rites Set for Friday

William Reynolds passed away Sunday night at Providence hospital, Portland, of an accidental shooting. He formerly lived here, but at the time was living at Monument. He leaves his wife, Stella, three small children, five sisters and one brother and his mother, Mrs. Cassie Riley. Services will take place at the Forest Grove undertaking parlors Friday at 2 p.m.

Councilmen Talk Over Changes of Ordinances

Several changes in the city ordinance structure were discussed at Monday evening's council meeting with consideration being given three or four samples of ordinances used by other cities in Oregon. Principal discussion was devoted to an ordinance which dealt with the question of making parents responsible for the actions of their children.

That particular ordinance occupied the most time because of work of the police department which had obtained confessions from nine youngsters charged with recent thefts.

Discussion was also heard on a proposed ordinance which would equalize taxes now being levied on card and pool tables. The ordinance now in effect which provides for such taxes, does not apply equally to all places in town where card and pool tables are operated. Representatives of Mike's Place, The Club, Lew's Place and the Vernonia Cardroom met with the council to talk over the proposed new law.

An application for license to operate a taxi was submitted to the council by Eugene Barnett. The application stated that headquarters for the service would be the MacDonald hotel and also listed proposed rate charges and the area that would be served. The council tabled the application pending advice of the city attorney.

The problem of parking in

Turner Honored By OCE Group

Marvin Turner was honored earlier this month by being chosen All-American on the campus of Oregon College of Education at Monmouth, according to an announcement received here by his mother, Mrs. Silvia Turner. The honor came at the All-American winter formal December 9 when he was presented with the All-American Scroll.

The choice was made on the basis of four attributes: scholarship, leadership, personality and athletics by the Staff and Key organization which is a women's service group. The Staff and Key is devoted to the purpose of upholding traditions of the school by service in the enrichment of school activities.

front of the post office, a matter that has been discussed numerous times in the past, was definitely decided when the council ordered that white strips be painted on curbing to provide five-minute parking for one car in front of the West Oregon Electric office, one car in front of the Pal Shop, one by the lot west of the Pal Shop and one in front of Kullander's Jewelry store.

By limiting the parking time to five minutes in the designated spaces councilmen hope to relieve congestion that frequently arises at the post office.

Points concerning the recent audit of city books made by I. D. Wood and Company of Portland were explained to councilmen by Bill Holm, representative of the firm. He pointed out several actions that should be taken by the council in handling city business.

The city recorder was instructed to write the Fraternal Order of Eagles requesting information concerning the lot owned by the Aerie back of the Texaco Service station. An old building now stands on the lot.

Toy Collection Depots Listed

The collection of toys under the "Tide of Toys" program backed by the American Legion is scheduled to take place again this year and will start the day after Christmas, according to an announcement made here Tuesday by Harry Culbertson.

Toys collected from the western states will be distributed throughout the Pacific area and clothing for adults as well as for children is wanted. However, the toys should not be guns, tanks or implements of war.

In order to handle collections here, three places were established as depots: Culbertson's blacksmith shop, Nichols Variety store and the Washington school. Expected time for the collection is 30 days.

Car Agency Bought

E. E. Greenwood, former owner of Greenwood Motors, is now located at Yakima, Washington where he has purchased the Packard car agency for that area.

Annual Yule Program to Be Heard

School Presentation Slated for Thursday At Washington Gym

The annual Christmas program, an event which has taken place here for many years just before the holiday, will be presented this year on Thursday evening, tonight, at the Washington auditorium starting at 8 o'clock. Preparation for the program has been carried out under the direction of Mrs. Harry Sandon and Miss Harriett Bronaugh for the grade school students that will participate.

That part of the program which will be presented by the high school has been directed by Miss Wanda Gossage.

A play and tableau entitled "Songs of Christmas" will be seen with four grade pupils taking the principal parts. They are Joan Roediger, Mary Jane Galloway, Ella Snook and Arline Seibel. Tableau characters are being taken by students in the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades and the choir is made up of children from the same classes. Students from the three Lincoln school grades will sing.

One of the outstanding parts of the program will be a song and recitation by Max Snook.

The high school carolers will present three numbers: "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas," "Carol of the Shepherds" and "Carol of the Bells." The high school sextette will sing "Jesu Bambino."

Following the program will be the appearance of Santa who will distribute candy to all the children present.

Gifts Sent to Vet Hospital

Several members of the American Legion Auxiliary met recently at the Harry Culbertson home to package and mail 21 dozen cookies for the Veterans hospital in Portland.

The cookies were used at the hospital for a Christmas party held for the patients.

Also sent to the hospital gift shop was a selection of gifts amounting to \$66. These items were donated by the members and some merchants at the Christmas party held recently at the Legion hall.

Work Scheduled For Next Week

Work at the Oregon-American sawmill will be discontinued for the coming week from Tuesday through Friday, according to announcement earlier this week, but part of the planer department will continue operation during that time.

Some shipping will also be done during the week.

Likewise, loggers at the Oregon-American camp will work during next week, taking only the Monday holiday off.

Special Numbers Heard at Sing

The regular meeting of the Community Sing was held at the Baptist church December 10 with Fred Lundgren as leader.

Those singing special numbers were Rev. McBride and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Frank.

The next meeting will be held at the Christian church January 7, 1951, with Joyce Jones as leader.